

We learn through the Patent Agency at St. Louis, that A. Hill, of Leavenworth, has been granted a patent for a railroad joint, and J. G. J. Ingalls, of Atchison, a patent for a well pump.

The safe recently received in the City Treasurer's office has a history. It was originally owned by Edwards & Thomas, the Paoli bankers, who had \$120,000 on deposit on a \$400 capital, and were a short time ago in the State prison for two years for obtaining money under false pretenses. The safe was sold at auction, and the City of Leavenworth became the purchaser. It was placed in the Treasurer's office, and the first deposit made in it was the money taken off the supposed murderer, Roddick, by Deputy Sheriff Palmer.

The following cheering intelligence in regard to one of our most important railroad lines is copied from the Chicago Journal: The bridge of the Chicago & Southern Railway, across the Des Moines river, twelve or fourteen miles southwest of Fairfield, is completed, and the track is laid to within a mile of the bridge. The road will be completed to Centerville, Appanoose county, by the middle of January, at which time the people of that place will have \$100,000 to pay the company.

We received a call yesterday from Deputy Sheriff F. N. Wiley, of Atchison, who brought down four prisoners for trial. The following are their names and terms of sentence: David Henderson, assault with intent to kill, three years; Andrew Jackson, same charge, five years; Monte Jack, same charge, two years; Warren Howell, murder in the second degree, fifteen years. This swells the number of State convicts to 203. They have a few more hard cases up there who will come to trial at the next term of court, and who will probably have striped clothes on soon afterward. Mr. Wiley informs us that the murders of Marshall Smith have procured a change of venue to Riley county, and are now in jail at Manhattan.

**Reorganization of Revenue Districts.**  
In accordance with instructions from the Commissioner of Internal Revenue of date November 11, 1870, the following reorganization of assessment divisions in the District of Kansas will be in force on and after November 21st, 1870, to-wit:

Division No. 1. To comprise the counties of Wyandotte, Leavenworth and that part of Jefferson county north of the parallel between towns nine and ten. C. H. Robinson, Assistant Assessor, Leavenworth city.

Division No. 2. The counties of Atchison, Doniphan, Brown, Nemaha, Marshall, Washington and Republic. John K. Fisher, Assistant Assessor, Atchison, Kansas.

Division No. 3. The counties of Johnson, Miami, Anderson, Franklin, Douglas, and that part of Johnson county south of the parallel between towns nine and ten. F. Gleason, Assistant Assessor, Lawrence, Kansas.

Division No. 4. The counties of Linn, Bourbon, Cherokee, Clark, Labette, Neosho, and Allen. S. A. Manlove, Assistant Assessor, Fort Scott.

Division No. 5. The counties of Coffey, Woodson, Wilson, Montgomery, Howard, Greenwood, Butler, Cowley, Sumner, Sedgewick, and all counties not elsewhere provided for. Assistant Assessor, Ottawa, Kansas.

Division No. 6. The counties of Shawnee, Jackson, Pottawatomie, Wabash, DeWitt, Lyon and Chase. Thomas J. Smith, Assistant Assessor, Topeka, Kansas.

Division No. 7. The counties of Riley, Clay, Davis, Morris, Dickinson, Marion, Saline, McPherson, Ottawa, Cloud, Mitchell, Lincoln, Ellsworth, and all the country west of the counties named. J. H. Gilpatrick, Assistant Assessor, Junction City.

**Election Notes.**  
The official count shows that a Republican has been elected to Congress from the 10th district by a majority of 100.  
A Boston paper asserts that Wendell Phillips did not vote at the election. For the candidate of two parties for Governor this is a bad omen.

Camilla Uno, the violinist, has been seriously ill, and will be unable to appear in public the present season. She has been living at a resort in France, but will spend the winter in London.

The Boston Commonwealth says the two women, who distributed balloons in one of the wards in that city, on Tuesday, at the Republican meeting, have been arrested. Their presence was pleasing to the politicians generally.

Complete official returns from the Fifth Congressional District of Kentucky, give James Speed, Republican, 4,789. The total Winchester, Democrat, 7,152. The district includes Louisville.

When the result of the election was announced in Lancaster, Garret County, Ky., the Republicans began cheering, which incensed some of the Democrats, so that they made an attack upon them. Result—six Democrats wounded, one man killed.

A Tennessee paper declares that one of the Democratic Congressmen elected from that State "wouldn't pass for a first-class idiot." This is good news. No first-class idiot could win a seat in Congress, whatever his politics, should pass for a first-class idiot.

The Baltimore American says that at the election in Maryland of the colored voters stood by their principles manfully throughout the State, neither threats nor bribes inducing them to sell their suffrages or waver in their allegiance to the Republican cause.

The majority for James H. Platt, Republican, in the Second Congressional District of Virginia, is about 1,000. The result in the First District is not definitely ascertained. Incomplete returns (thirteen counties to be heard from) give Critcher, Democrat, 2,531; Norton, Republican, 2,542; Douglas, white Republican, 1,557.

The Knoxville Chronicle says that Hon. William H. Wheeler made a better campaign for Governor of Tennessee than any other candidate expected; that he took the race against greater odds than any man in the State ever took a race, and in the face of every obstacle entered the canvass, and succeeded in bringing the democratic majority far below what they anticipated.

FOREIGN.

THE EASTERN QUESTION.

REPLY OF THE RUSSIAN GOVERNMENT TO EARL GRANVILLE'S LETTER.  
St. Petersburg, Nov. 18.—The Russian Government to Earl Granville's letter was promptly forwarded to London. Russia adopts a highly conciliatory tone, but remains entirely firm in the position already adopted, and offers, as regards the settlement of the movements of the Principality of Serbia in the culminating of the treaty of Paris is used to her advantage.

The Russian Government, to note the fact that a Congress is impracticable of the principal European powers, and that these powers are desirous of a peaceful intention or desire to disregard any provisions of the treaty of Paris, other than those which are generally admitted to be just and equitable against her. She would deeply regret interruption of the friendly relations which she has endeavored to cultivate with Great Britain, but she repeats her intention to act upon the previous position in regard to the Black Sea.

The general feeling of the people of St. Petersburg is favorable to this position of the Government.

Gortschakoff had a long interview yesterday with the Italian Minister and special Envoy from Florence.

**THE WAR.**  
Reports from Versailles.

VERSAILLER, Nov. 18.—The King, to-day, telegraphed to Queen Augusta at Berlin, that the Grand Duke of Mecklenburg, yesterday, repulsed the enemy along the whole line near Dreux.

St. Petersburg, Nov. 18.—A special despatch to the Tribune, from Berlin on the 16th, says: communication from Jules Favre to Gambetta has failed to induce Prussian hands, which states that fresh meat in Paris will last until to-day, then there is salt meat for a fortnight.

The Prussian authorities make no secret of the fact that the batteries will be completed by the 1st of December. Their munitions have arrived and everything is ready for bombardment, if necessary, until the time exacted.

PARIS EXPECTED TO FALL WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

PARIS, Nov. 18.—A Herald's telegram, dated Berlin, November 17, 10 p. m., says: if the important preparations the Germans are making are successful, Paris is expected to fall within two weeks.

**GREAT BRITAIN.**  
DIAMONDS.

LONDON, Nov. 18.—Wheeler, the celebrated diamond hunter of the Cape Colony, has arrived. He brings some stones valued at £20,000, and weighing eighty-eight carats.

RUSSEL'S PAMPHLET.  
Just issued, has been suppressed at the suggestion of his friends.

**SPAIN.**  
THE NEW KING.

MADRID, Nov. 18.—A committee consisting of fifteen members of the Constituent Cortes, has been appointed to proceed to Florence to present the Spanish crown to the Duke of Salaparuta.

It is highly popular throughout the provinces. No disorder followed his proclamation, though the Duke of Salaparuta has reasons to believe that his candidature was unpopular in certain quarters, there might be demonstrations of disapproval. The services of the troops have been telegraphically requested. In all large cities cannon were fired in honor of the event.

FLORENCE, Nov. 18.—The Duke of Aosta arrived yesterday, and was welcomed with enthusiastic acclamations of the people. The President of the Council, the Spanish Minister and other notables, subsequently called upon and congratulated him.

**CHINA AND JAPAN.**  
LETTER FROM WM. H. SEWARD—HIS RECEPTION.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 18.—A letter from Wm. H. Seward, dated London, Oct. 11, says: "Well, and pleasant trip. The Danish Envoy has succeeded in negotiating with the Government of Japan for the completion of telegraphic communication between Japan and Europe. A diplomatic rupture occurred between the French Minister and the Japanese Government, growing out of the Japanese neutrality proclamation. The French fleet has left Yokohama—destination unknown."

WASHINGTON, Nov. 17.—Wm. H. Seward's arrival here was celebrated by a dinner, at which Admiral Rogers and other leading Americans were present.

The New York Herald contains a severe editorial on Minister Low, accusing him of gross neglect and a wanton disregard of duty in the matter of the Berlin dispatch.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 17.—Wm. H. Seward and his wife arrived here yesterday, and a visit to Japan was the event of the morning. He was the guest of Dr. Long, at Yokohama, and then at Yokohama, where he was received by a private individual by the Mikado, was given Seward. The only persons present were Dr. Long and Shepherd, Acting Secretary of the Legation.

**WASHINGTON.**  
General Schuchert—Colored as a Hint.

General Schuchert, colored as a hint, is a member of the Senate. He is a member of the Senate. He is a member of the Senate.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 18.—The Star, this evening, publishes the substance of a letter from Gen. Schuchert to a friend here, saying: He will take no steps toward contesting the seat of his successful competitor, Col. Campbell, and that if it is contested it will be by the Republicans of his district.

It is said that Gen. Schuchert arrived here to-day, to advocate the admission of that territory as a State.

Senator Schuchert continued to-day to repudiate all newspaper accounts of his opinions. He says he stands by his speeches and his record in the Missouri campaign just ended, that when he says anything he means it, and that he will do so in his place in the Senate, where, he adds, he does not think he can make a conspicuous minority of one.

In an interview with Secretary Fish, to-day, he expressed the opinion that the attempt of Russia to abrogate the provisions of the treaty of 1856, regarding the neutrality of the Black Sea, was not necessary, but that the present complications may find a solution in a Peace Congress of all European powers. This Congress may also attempt to settle the difference between Prussia and France, but the former will reject all such attempts. In fact, the future condition of Europe is purely a matter of peace, which may develop unexpected and astonishing results.

The existence of the present government in France, mainly depends on the result of a peace treaty between it and Prussia when it is made. If France succeeds without a cessation of territory she will be able to maintain herself with people, but if she is compelled to make a cession his administration will be overthrown.

The Enquirer is at one with the Republic in its position that the Republic will not stand a Kingdom with one of the Bourbon family as its head.

Our Cuban policy will remain unchanged. Referring to the Revenue Reformer, Fish said he thought they were making gliding promises to do what he thinks the people know the Administration is doing now, viz: conducting the Government with economy and honesty; reducing the debt as rapidly as possible, and at the same time relieving the people from taxation.

He declined to give information regarding the San Domingo treaty, and denounced Gen. Butler's Canadian annexation scheme as a mere pretense of war.

Our communications with France are, at present, very brief. Minister Bernier, is recognized here as the legitimate and only responsible representative of the French Government. Washburn has been used by our Government as a medium of communication for important matters, but not standing the length of the war, there have been few subjects of importance requiring his mediation. His recognition of the French Republic was not premature, but in pursuance of orders, his present course is thoroughly in accordance with the policy of our Administration.

The Alabama claims must be settled at the proper time, perhaps very soon. The main object to the Johnson-Cameron

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